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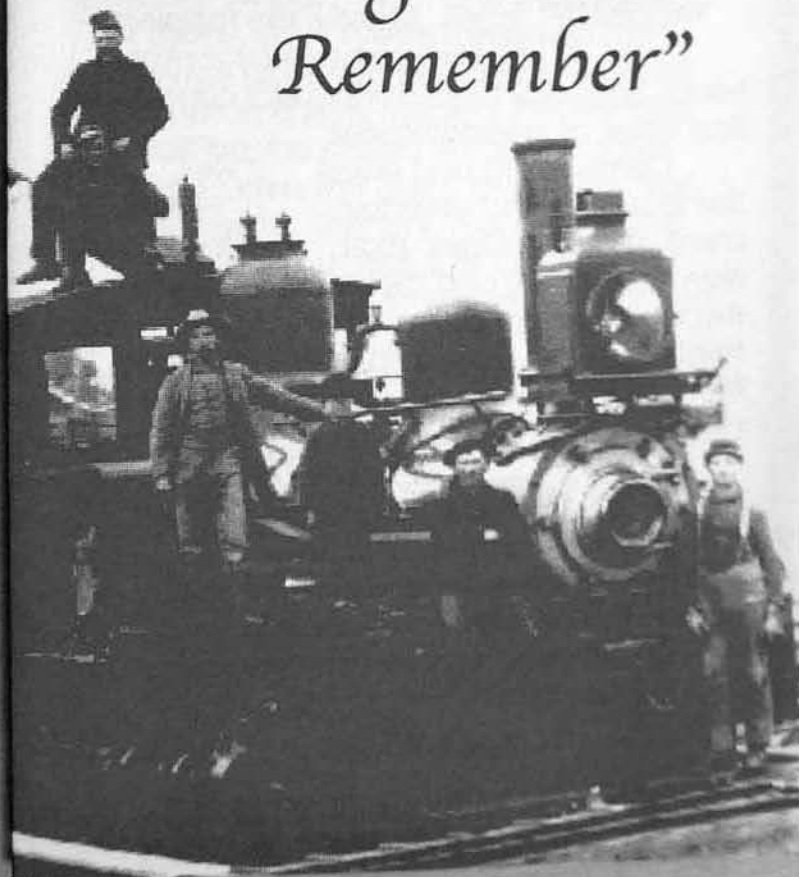
# DURBIN DAYS

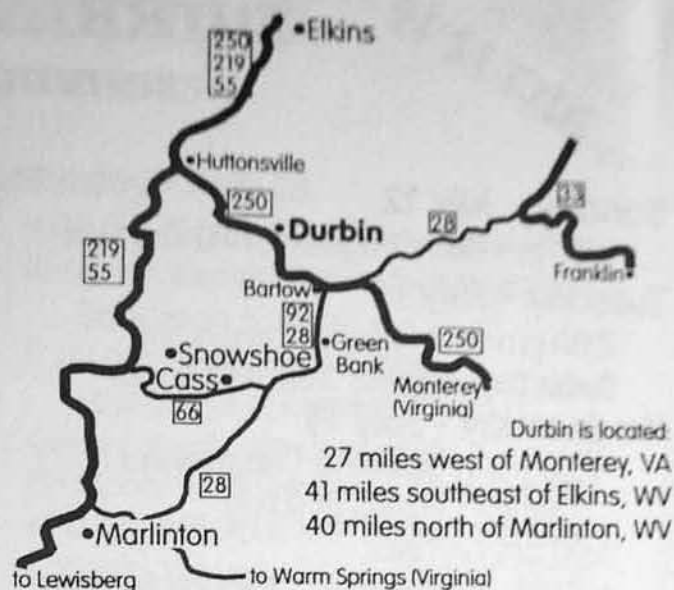
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JULY 12<sup>TH</sup>

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*"A Night to  
Remember"*





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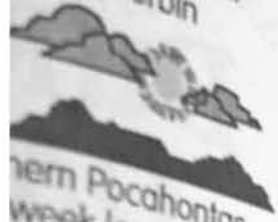
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## Durbin: Home to the Hearty since 1790

It was John Slavin who first home-steaded thirty acres between the East and West Forks of the Greenbrier River in 1790. To this valley, amid the Allegheny Mountains came Scots, Irish, Virginians from the East and Germans from Pennsylvania. They built homes, farms, grain and saw mills along the Greenbrier River.

In the 1840's the building of the Staunton Parkersburg Turpike made travel from Virginia to the Ohio River easier. Soldiers of the Civil War sojourned along roads lined with ancient spruce. After the Civil War, timbering began in earnest. The gentle Greenbrier River became a highway to market for these tremendous spruce. The spring flood waters were used to float logs down to Covington. The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad and the Western Maryland Railroad soon competed for timber freight and passengers.

By the early 1900's these two railroads met at the Durbin Depot. Railroad construction crews, loggers and farmers mingled on the streets Saturday nights making Durbin the place to be. The 1904 opening of the Tannery in nearby Frank brought more families into Durbin. Children of the 1940's remember that coming to town Saturday night meant going to the movies followed by ice cream sodas.

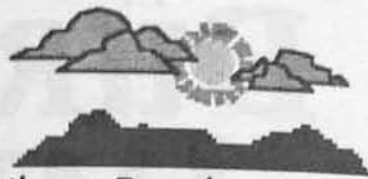
Durbin may seem quieter today but there is a hearty spirit alive in our hills that brings us together each summer for Durbin Days. Keep your eye on us -- new restaurants and businesses are opening each year. Our Saturday nights may not be as rowdy as those of our ancestors but they are as warm and friendly.





## Durbin Days: 11th Annual Celebration

On the banks of the East and West Forks of the Greenbrier River, Durbin celebrates old fashioned mountain fun. Music and laughter ring across the moun-



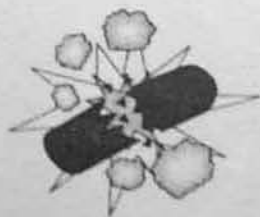
tains of Northern Pocahontas County. Our week long festival brings many back home to the hills. Young and old alike enjoy games, exhibits, parades and competitions. Test your

skill at horse shoes or your strength at the tug of war. Watch our renowned fire truck parade-- polished to perfection.



Local crafts are displayed each evening. Our carnival delights all ages. Nightly, toe tapping music keeps you young at heart. Saturday night's fireworks caps a fine week of entertainment.

Come along and enjoy the food, fun and entertainment of Durbin Days. Walk down the street and meet the friendly folks of Pocahontas County. Catch up with family and friends in the beautiful surroundings Durbin calls home.



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It was John Steaded thirty years ago who brought to this valley, and the mountains came Scotch East and German. They built home mills along the river.

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# DURBIN DAYS, 1998

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

"A Night  
to Remember"

### Sunday - July 12

2:00 pm **Baby Pageant**, BFD Fire Hall

### Tuesday - July 14

7:00 pm "A Night to Remember"  
**Durbin Days Pageant**, Green Bank School

### Wednesday - July 15

12:00 noon **Opening Ceremonies**

Senior Citizens Building

6:00 pm **Carnival**

6:30 pm **Local Vocalists: T. Rexrode, N. Sharp**

Kane's Parking Lot

6:30 pm **Pet Show**, Senior Citizens Building

8:00 pm **Last Harrah** Band, Carnival Grounds

### Thursday - July 16

6:00 pm **Carnival**

7:00 pm **Cake Walk**,

Kane's Parking Lot (BFD if raining)

8:00 pm **Boomerang** (Country) Band

Carnival Grounds

### Friday - July 17

6:00 pm **Carnival**

6:00 pm Line up for Fireman's Parade

West End, Durbin

7:00 pm **Fireman's Parade**

8:00 pm **High Country Cloggers**

Kane's Parking Lot

8:00 pm **Boomerang** (Country) Band

Carnival Grounds



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### Saturday - July 18

9:00 am Sign up for **Horse Shoe Pitch**

10:00 am **Bartow-Durbin Mini Marathon**

Back road 5 miles

11:00 am **Youth Field Events**

Lower end of carnival grounds

Sponser: Pocahontas County Parks & Rec

12:00 noon **Bar-B-Que Chicken Dinner** Main St

1:00 pm **Antique Car Show**, Kane's Parking Lot

1:30 pm Line up for Parade, West End, Durbin

2:00 pm **Grand Feature Parade**, Main Street

3:00 pm **Carnival**

3:00--6:00 pm **Night Drive** (Country Rock)

Carnival Grounds

5:30 pm Sign up for **Tug of War** (6:00)

Lower end of carnival grounds

7:00 pm **Highland County Hoedowners**

Kane's Parking Lot

8:00 pm **Night Drive** (Country Rock)

Carnival Grounds

10:00 pm **Fireworks** Display

Lower Carnival Grounds

### Sunday - July 19

12:00 noon **Carnival**

1:00 pm **Potluck Dinner** (Covered Dish)

Bingo Pavilion

2:00 - 4:00 **Christian Heirs** (Gospel)

### DAILY ATTRACTIONS

FLEA MARKET - CARNIVAL GROUNDS

CRAFTS - NIGHTLY, VFW MAIN STREET

JAIL MUSEUM - FOLLOW THE SIGNS

PUPPET SHOW - 10:00 AM, W-FRI DURBIN MANOR

BINGO - 6:00 PM NIGHTLY, 3:00 PM SATURDAY,

PAVILLION ON CARNIVAL GROUNDS